SOCIAL STUDIES

Sample Evaluation Form

Directions: Review the proposed textbook programs based on the criteria listed below. Use the chart to rank the materials using the following code:

++ Excellent

- + Satisfactory/Average
- Poor/Mediocre

Grade Level	
Textbook	Publisher

	Ranking	Comments
1. The content meets the		
standards for History.		
2. The content meets the		
standards for Government and		
Civics.		
3. The content meets the		
standards for Geography.		
4. The content meets the		
standards for Economics.		
5. The content meets standards		
addressing thinking skills,		
analysis and interpretation, and		
research.		
6.The layout, format and		
organization contribute to ease of		
use.		
7. Material is suitable to the		
grade level and ability of students.		
8. Text and content is written in		
an engaging manner.		
9. Readability and Vocabulary		
are appropriate.		
10. Content includes a wide		
variety of reading sources and		
materials.		
11. Material and content is		
presented in a meaningful context		
and organized manner.		
12. Concepts and content are		
developed in a continuous and		
expanding manner.		

13. Content engages and	
challenges students with a variety	
of thinking skills and creative	
activities.	
14. Material provides	
opportunities for students to think	
critically and creatively.	
15. Information is accurate and	
unbiased.	
16. Illustrations help students to	
understand the concepts and	
written text.	
17. Assessment is provided at	
regular and appropriate intervals.	
18. Program provides adequate	
review and supplemental	
materials.	
19. Supplemental materials	
facilitate understanding and	
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learning. 20.The teacher's edition is well	
organized and easy to use.	
21. The materials provide	
multiple and unbiased	
perspectives that are balanced.	
Additional Comments:	

Social Studies Textbook Comparison Chart

Textbook	Ranking	Comments
1.		
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